FISCAL MEMORANDUM HB 933 - SB 1546

April 10, 2007

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005989): Requires teacher in-service training to place an emphasis on understanding the warning signs of early onset mental illness in children and adolescents and authorizes the training to be conducted by school counseling personnel, by mental health clinicians or by mental health advocacy organizations using curricula approved by the Department of Education and the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

MINIMAL

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Under current law LEAs are encouraged to use two of the in-service training days to provide training on issues of prevention and intervention strategies for students in the area of behavioral/emotional disorders.
- Existing personnel or advocacy groups may be used to conduct inservice training on this issue.
- Any cost to LEAs to comply with this requirement is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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